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n re Application of:

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For:

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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT DATED JULY 14, 2003

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated July 14, 2003, the Supervisory Legal Instruments Examiner, in a telephone interview on August 13, 2003, informed Applicant that the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was mailed in error and has been withdrawn. The Examiner stated that the amendment filed June 27, 2003 was compliant with the rules. An Interview Summary noting the Examiner's statements is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **INTERVIEW SUMMARY**

During a telephone interview on August 13, 2003 with Supervisory Legal Instruments Examiner M. Watts, Applicant was informed by the Examiner that the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed July 14, 2003 was in error and has been withdrawn. The Examiner indicated that the amendment filed June 27, 2003 will be entered and examined. An interview summary will be mailed to Applicant as an official statement that the amendment was compliant with the rules and the notice was in error.

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